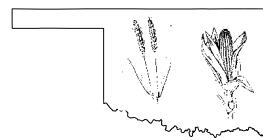


OKLAHOMA CROP-WEATHER

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Winter Wheat Harvest Picks Up Momentum

June 1 - Warm, dry weather and virtually no widespread rainfall provided excellent conditions for wheat harvest. Temperatures were warm throughout most of the week. Thursday and Friday were particularly warm with many stations reaching 90 degrees or more and 5 stations exceeding 100 degrees. Rainfall was light across the state. The Southwest district received the most precipitation with 0.49 inches while the Southeast district didn't receive any rainfall. Both topsoil and subsoil moisture supplies were rated as mostly adequate although conditions dropped slightly from last week. Farmers had 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork during the week.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	6	29	64	1
Last Week	2	20	72	6
Last Year	12	23	62	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	11	33	53	3
Last Week	7	33	55	5
Last Year	18	28	51	3

Small Grains: Statewide, the winter wheat crop was rated in mostly fair to good condition. The dry conditions were very favorable for wheat harvest as it jumped from 1 percent last week to 13 percent complete statewide this week. Harvest ranged from 39 percent in the Southwest district to none harvested in the Northern parts of the state. Wheat in the soft dough stage of development advanced 14 percentage points from last week to 93 percent. Oats heading advanced to 94 percent, while 68 percent was in the soft dough stage. Crop insect activity was reported as mostly none to light across the State.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT Week Ending June 1, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
This Week	4	8	28	46	14
Last Week	3	8	31	45	13
Last Year	18	15	27	34	6
Rye					
This Week	4	9	30	50	7
Oats					
This Week	4	11	35	46	4

Row Crops: Seedbed preparation and planting progressed for all row crops. Corn and peanut planting was winding down at 95 and 97 percent, respectively. Eighty five percent of the cotton was planted. Sorghum and soybean planting was lagging behind normal at 74

and 84 percent, respectively. The warm weather last week had most crops emerging ahead of the normal five year trends but additional moisture is needed for the row crops.

ROW CROPS CONDITION BY PERCENT Week Ending June 1, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	0	1	10	31	58
Soybeans	0	0	37	51	12
Peanuts	0	2	22	65	11
Cotton	0	1	53	46	0

Hay: Most producers were active cutting and baling hay. The first cutting of alfalfa was nearly complete, while the second cutting of alfalfa made progress and was 23 percent cut Statewide. First cutting of other hay was 48 percent cut and ranged from 72 percent in the West Central district to 32 percent in the Northeast district.

HAY CONDITION BY PERCENT Week Ending June 1, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	5	26	54	13
Other Hay	2	10	34	46	8

Specialty Crops: Ninety-nine percent of the watermelons were planted with 61 percent running by week's end.

Pasture: Warm temperatures throughout the week advanced pasture growth but additional moisture is needed. Pasture and range conditions were rated as mostly fair to good. A growing number of armyworms continued to be reported.

Livestock: Livestock conditions were rated as mostly fair to excellent. Livestock insect activities were rated as light to moderate with horn flies and grasshoppers being the major problems. Cattle auctions reported an increase in average marketings for the week. The price for feeder steers less than 800 pounds increased from last week and averaged \$87.62 per cwt. The average price for feeder heifers less than 800 pounds also increased from last week and averaged \$80.40 per cwt.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT Week Ending June 1, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	20	61	17
Pasture & Range	1	12	31	46	10

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OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS
 Week Ending June 1, 2003

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.	Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 - Yr. Avg.
Wheat -					Peanuts -				
Soft Dough	93	79	93	85	Planted	97	84	87	87
Harvested	13	1	2	7	Emerged	89	59	70	64
Oats -					Cotton -				
Headed	94	86	85	93	Planted	85	76	81	77
Soft Dough	68	46	63	67	Emerged	70	46	66	62
Corn -					Alfalfa -				
Planted	95	94	95	98	1 st Cutting	98	92	94	96
Emerged	84	60	95	96	2 nd Cutting	23	4	13	19
Sorghum -					Other Hay -				
Seedbed Prepared	74	68	81	86	1 st Cutting	48	42	55	52
Planted	32	25	43	39	Watermelons -				
Emerged	31	18	34	25	Planted	99	94	99	97
Soybeans -					Running	61	29	50	43
Seedbed Prepared	84	81	84	89					
Planted	59	56	61	60					
Emerged	52	41	50	45					

WEATHER FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 1, 2003 - Temperatures ranged from 45 degrees at Cookson on Monday, May 26th and at Antlers on Wednesday, May 28th to 107 degrees at Altus on Friday, May 30th. Precipitation averaged 0.00 in. Southeast district to 0.49 in. Southwest district. Soil temperatures averaged 63 degrees at Shawnee on Monday, May 26th to 87 degrees at Erick on Friday, May 30th.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA
 Week Ending June 1, 2003

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	High	Low	Average	This Week	March 1, 2003 to June 1, 2003		
					Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
	Degrees			Inches			
Panhandle	87	57	72	0.29	4.17	- 2.78	60
West Central	87	59	73	0.38	5.62	- 4.41	56
Southwest	89	61	75	0.49	5.22	- 4.82	52
North Central	85	57	72	0.33	8.40	- 2.09	80
Central	85	58	72	0.12	7.69	- 4.86	61
South Central	86	59	73	0.04	6.95	- 6.11	53
Northeast	82	56	70	0.04	11.06	- 2.24	83
East Central	83	57	71	0.12	9.62	- 4.85	66
Southeast	86	57	72	0.00	7.49	- 7.99	48